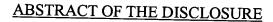
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A cavity length is determined on the basis of a relationship of electric drive power to a range of optical output power over 50 mW, for cavity length to be constant as a parameter in a range over $1000~\mu m$, so that the electric drive power is vicinal to a minimum thereof in correspondence to a desirable optical output power. If the optical output is 360~mW for example, a cavity length of $1500~\mu m$ is determined to be selected.